

REMARKS

Claims 1-2, 4, 6-9, 12-16, 19-23, 26-29, and 38 are pending in the application. Claims 5 and 39-41 have been cancelled.

In the Office Action, claims 5 and 39-41 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipation by U.S. Publication No. 2002/0107641 (Schaeffer et al.). This rejection is moot, since claims 5 and 39-41 have been cancelled.

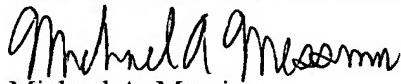
Claims 1-2, 4, 6-9, 12-16, 19-23, 26-29 and 38 have been allowed.

Accordingly, it is believed that the application is now in condition for allowance. Applicants therefore respectfully request an early and favorable reconsideration and allowance of this application. If there are any outstanding issues which might be resolved by an interview or an Examiner's amendment, the Examiner is invited to call Applicants' representative at the telephone number shown below.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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